

State Of South Dakota

Office Of The Governor

On Friday, October 12, 1984, Gregory Christopher Delzer of Lead, South Dakota, was faced with a devil's alternative--either injury and death for his friends or for himself.

Greg and three friends were crossing a street when a drunk, driving at high speed, came around the curve on the wrong side of the street. He was too close and moving too fast for all of them to get out of the way.

Greg, a high school basketball standout with dreams of a college scholarship, did not hesitate. Exhibiting both presence of mind and a clear understanding of the necessity for immediate action, Greg pushed his three companions out of the path of the car.

By saving his friends, Greg sacrificed himself. He did so without regard to his own personal safety and with total concern and care for his three friends.

The car did not slow down or stop. Greg's body shattered the windshield, he was thrown 80 feet by the impact, and he sustained great personal injury by risking his life to save his friends.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, WILLIAM J. JANKLOW, Governor of the State of South Dakota, deem it proper to honor and commemorate this brave self-sacrifice and do hereby publicly proclaim the valor of

GREGORY CHRISTOPHER DELZER

and join his family and friends in saluting his uncommon courage and timely act.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-eighth Day of February, in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Eighty-Five

A handwritten signature of William J. Janklow.

WILLIAM J. JANKLOW, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

A handwritten signature of Alice Kundert.

ALICE KUNDERT, SECRETARY OF STATE

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